**To:** Steven T. Singer, Esq.[stsinger@verizon.net]

From: Yeh, Alice

**Sent:** Thur 7/3/2014 3:03:52 PM

Subject: RE: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

Thanks – I have sent hard copy letters to Apex Oil (Larry Dolegiewicz), Hess, Motiva, Sunoco & General Chemical (since I didn't have e-mails for them).

I will let you know about panel format shortly. Other than commercial users, City of Newark, Town of Kearny and Army Corps of Engineers have been invited.

From: Steven T. Singer, Esq. [mailto:stsinger@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2014 10:49 AM

To: Yeh, Alice

Subject: Re: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

Good morning Alice:

One other name I had was Larry Dolegiewicz (?) at Apex Oil. email was CenterPointNewark@yahoo.com.

Other parties that might be interested were Hess, Motiva, Sunoco and General Chemical but I cant find any contact info for them.

I'm still unclear as to the panel format. Other than commercial navigation users, who would be participating?

Steve

Jun 27, 2014 10:18:51 AM, Yeh.Alice@epa.gov wrote:

You are invited to be a panel member at a forum on commercial navigation in the Passaic River on July 22, 2014 at 1-4pm at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (the Atrium, University Heights, Newark, NJ).

As part of an August 27, 2009 meeting sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Lisa Baron, host), you provided input and information that was included in a Corps of Engineers <u>Commercial Navigation Analysis</u> dated July 2010, which was considered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in its conceptual design of one of the cleanup options for the Passaic River.

This forum, organized by NJIT, provides an opportunity to update the information gathered by the Corps of Engineers in 2009.

In April 2014, EPA issued a Proposed Plan for cleaning up the lower 8 miles of the Lower Passaic River. The Proposed Plan evaluates four options for the cleanup and describes EPA's preferred option, which is to cap the lower 8 miles with sand, with some dredging so that the cap does not cause additional flooding and to allow for the continued use of the federal navigation channel in the 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay. EPA is seeking public comment on the Proposed Plan until August 20, 2014. EPA is particularly interested in receiving comments on the navigational depths proposed for the 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay (30 feet in the first 1.2 miles, 25 feet in the next 0.5 miles and 20 feet in the next next 0.5 miles) and whether shallower depths might still accommodate reasonably-anticipated future uses, because shallower depths mean less dredging and a less costly cleanup plan.

Please consider serving as a panel member, so that you can provide up-to-date information about how you are currently using the Passaic River's navigation channel and how you expect to use it in the future.

Please let me know if you will be attending the meeting. Please feel free to call me with any questions at 212-637-4427.

Alice Yeh

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